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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

In response to the final Office Action mailed January 3, 2011, Applicants respectfully request consideration of the following amendments and remarks. A Shortened Statutory Period is set to expire three (3) months after the mailing of the Office Action, *i.e.*, on April 3, 2011. Applicants therefore submit that the present Response is timely filed on March 2, 2011.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the Listing of the Claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 5 of this paper.